

## NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

### Tentative Agenda

### **BUDGET SECTION**

Wednesday, June 18, 1997  
Senate Chamber, State Capitol  
Bismarck, North Dakota

- 9:00 a.m. Call to order  
Roll call  
Consideration of minutes of the March 12, 1997, meeting  
Review of Legislative Council rules of operation and procedure
- 9:15 a.m. Presentation by a representative of the Office of Management and Budget on the status of the state general fund and revised general fund revenue estimates for the 1995-97 and 1997-99 bienniums based on revised WEFA projections
- 10:00 a.m. Presentation by a representative of the Office of Management and Budget on irregularities in the fiscal practices of the state, pursuant to North Dakota Century Code Section 54-14-03.1
- 10:15 a.m. Presentation by a representative of the Information Services Division on the agency's plans to address the information technology planning requirements contained in 1997 House Bill No. 1034
- 10:45 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of the following reports:
- 1997-99 biennium report on appropriations and estimated revenues
  - An analysis of the 55th Legislative Assembly changes to the recommended appropriations in the executive budget for the 1997-99 biennium (including statistical information on the 1997-99 biennium appropriations and historical appropriations statistics)
- 11:15 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff on the duties and responsibilities of the Budget Section for the 1997-98 interim
- 11:30 a.m. Presentation of a request by a representative of the North Dakota University System office for approval of nonresident tuition rates at the state's colleges and universities for the 1997-99 biennium
- 12:00 noon Luncheon recess
- 1:00 p.m. Presentation by a representative of the North Dakota University System office on State Board of Higher Education allocations made to institutions of higher education for salaries and wages and technology for fiscal year 1998

1:30 p.m. Presentation by a representative of North Dakota State University on allocations made to agricultural research centers for salaries and wages for fiscal year 1998

1:45 p.m. Presentation of a request by a representative of the Westwood Park Assets Management Committee to approve the committee's actions to sell or lease property at the Developmental Center

2:00 p.m. Consideration of the following requests that have been authorized by the Emergency Commission and require consideration by the Budget Section:

- **North Dakota State College of Science (Request #1030)** - To increase other funds spending authority and the operating expenses line item by \$125,000 of excess tuition income for utility costs that were higher than anticipated during the 1996-97 winter
- **Veterans Home (Request #1041)** - To transfer spending authority of \$209,000 from the capital improvements line item to salaries and wages (\$153,500) and operating expenses (\$55,500)
- **Information Services Division (Request #1042)** - To increase other funds spending authority and the operating expenses line item by \$300,000 of additional revenue to be received during the 1995-97 biennium
- **Emergency Management (Request #1043)** - To increase other funds spending authority by \$496,200 for salaries and wages (\$441,200), operating expenses (\$30,000), and equipment (\$25,000) relating to Presidential disaster declarations for flooding. The \$496,200 consists of \$448,580 of federal funds and \$47,620 of loan proceeds.
- **Department of Public Instruction (Request #1045)** - To increase other funds spending authority and the teacher certification line item by \$70,000 to allow the transfer to the Educational Standards and Practices Board of certification fees collected by the department during the 1995-97 biennium
- **Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation - Juvenile Services Division (Request #1048)** - To transfer \$180,000 of spending authority from the operating expenses line item to the grants line item for additional federal grants to be distributed to local juvenile delinquency prevention programs
- **Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation - State Penitentiary (Request #1049)** - To transfer \$150,000 of spending authority from salaries and wages to operating expenses for higher than anticipated inmate medical costs
- **Highway Patrol (Request #1052)** - To increase other funds spending authority and the field operations program line item by \$116,000 of federal funds to:
  1. Purchase portable weigh scales for \$75,000.
  2. Renovate a scale house for \$10,000.

3. Pay reimbursable flood emergency operations costs of \$31,000.

- **Highway Patrol (Request #1053)** - To increase other funds spending authority and the field operations program line item by \$90,000 of federal funds for the operation of the motor carrier safety assistance program
- **School for the Deaf (Request #1054)** - To transfer \$76,640 from salaries and wages to equipment (\$1,840) and capital improvements (\$74,800) for closed circuit television for the dormitories, asbestos removal, and heating system improvements
- **Water Commission (Request #1055)** - To increase spending authority by \$128,000 from the state contingencies appropriation for the available storage acreage program in the Devils Lake Basin
- **Office of Management and Budget (Request #1056)** - To increase spending authority by \$72,000 from the state contingencies appropriation to pay the United States Department of Health and Human Services its share of fire and tornado fund money previously transferred to the general fund
- **Department of Agriculture (Request #1057)** - To increase other funds spending authority and the Safe Send program line item by \$75,000 of federal funds from the Environmental Protection Agency for the collection and disposal of flood-damaged hazardous waste
- **Department of Agriculture (Request #1058)** - To increase other funds spending authority by \$100,400 for the agriculture disaster response center. The other funds will be a loan from the Bank of North Dakota and the expenditures will be reimbursable by the Federal Emergency Management Agency.
- **Department of Human Services (Request #1059)** - To increase other funds spending authority by \$600,000 for the 1997-99 biennium to allow the carryover and expenditure of a portion of additional federal funds previously approved by the Emergency Commission for the 1995-97 biennium
- **Office of the Adjutant General (Request #1060)** - To increase spending authority by \$128,000 from the state contingencies appropriation for costs relating to 1997 snow and flood disasters
- **Industrial Commission - Oil and Gas Division (Request #1062)** - To increase other funds spending authority by \$39,850 of federal funds from the Environmental Protection Agency for digitized topographical information relating to oil-producing counties

3:15 p.m. Presentation by a representative of the Department of Human Services on system automation projects for the 1997-99 biennium

3:30 p.m. Presentations by representatives of the following agencies that received Emergency Commission approval of certain emergency transfers and expenditures at the May 5, 1997, Emergency Commission meeting:

- Adjutant General (Request #1032)
- Department of Human Services (Request #1034, 1035)
- Job Service North Dakota (Request #1036, 1037)
- Emergency Management (Request #1038)

4:10 p.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of correspondence from ethanol plants receiving production incentives from the state

4:15 p.m. Committee discussion and staff directives

4:30 p.m. Adjourn

### Committee Members

Representatives Jack Dalrymple (Chairman), Ole Aarsvold, LeRoy G. Bernstein, James Boehm, Merle Boucher, Rex R. Byerly, Ron Carlisle, Jeff W. Delzer, John Dorso, Tom D. Freier, Gereld F. Gerntholz, Pam Gulleason, Roy Hausauer, Robert Huether, Richard Kunkel, Edward H. Lloyd, Bob Martinson, Ronald Nichols, Bill Oban, Al Soukup, Ken Svedjan, Mike Timm, Ben Tollefson, Francis J. Wald, Janet Wentz, Gerry Wilkie

Senators Bill L. Bowman, William G. Goetz, Ray Holmberg, Aaron Krauter, Evan E. Lips, Tim Mathern, Pete Naaden, Donna L. Nalewaja, Gary J. Nelson, David E. Nething, Rolland W. Redlin, Larry J. Robinson, Ken Solberg, Rod St. Aubyn, Harvey D. Tallackson